STATE OF VERMONT PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7179

Petition of Green Mountain Dairy Farm, LLC, for a)
certificate of public good, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. Section)
248, authorizing the construction of a farm-based)
methane-fueled electrical generating facility in Sheldon,)
Vermont)

Entered: 11/6/2006

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC GOOD ISSUED PURSUANT TO 30 V.S.A. SECTION 248

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the Public Service Board of the State of Vermont this day found and adjudged that the installation of a farm-based methane-fueled electrical generating facility at the Green Mountain Dairy Farm in Sheldon, Vermont, will promote the general good of the state, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Construction shall be in accordance with the plans and specifications submitted in this proceeding. Any material deviation from these plans or specifications must be approved by the Board.
- 2. Green Mountain Dairy Farm, LLC, shall comply with all provisions of the Stipulation between itself, Central Vermont Public Service Corporation ("CVPS"), the Vermont Department of Public Service ("DPS"), and the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources ("ANR") dated September 18, 2006.
- 3. Green Mountain Dairy Farm, LLC, shall not operate the Project until an Interconnection Agreement with CVPS has been finalized and filed with the Board that is consistent with the System Impact Study and that includes the completed Technical Requirements and Operating Protocols appendices. Thereafter, Green Mountain Dairy Farm, LLC, shall abide by all of the Technical Requirements and Operating Protocols contained in the Interconnection Agreement.
- 4. Green Mountain Dairy Farm, LLC, shall implement all of the recommendations of the System Impact Study at its own expense, specifically the 16,402 feet of single-phase to three-

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phase distribution system upgrade assumed in the System Impact Study, as well as the 1,305 feet of new three phase distribution system construction assumed in the System Impact Study.

- 5. Green Mountain Dairy Farm, LLC, shall complete a Facilities Study and shall, at its own expense, install all equipment specified by the Facilities Study (which could include, among other things, two new reclosers, anti-islanding equipment, and communications for remote tripping).
- 6. CVPS ratepayers shall be held harmless from any expense associated with the development, construction, or operation of the proposed project except such construction expenditures that are not required to ensure the safe and reliable operation of the Project, but that are necessary to ensure the three-phase distribution system upgrade is consistent with CVPS's least-cost planning strategy of capturing future reliability benefits for incremental costs, as contemplated in CVPS's 2003 Integrated Resource Plan.
- 7. Green Mountain Dairy Farm, LLC, shall operate the proposed Project in compliance with the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources air pollution control permit. Draft permit AOP-06-030 for the construction and operation of the facility was issued on August 11, 2006.
- 8. This Certificate of Public Good shall not be transferred without prior approval of the Board.
- 9. Green Mountain Dairy Farm, LLC, shall not utilize manure from other farms as fuel for the generation system, absent approval from the Public Service Board.

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Dated at Montpelie	er, Vermont, this	6 th	<u>6th</u> day of		November	
	s/James Volz)		
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	s/David C. Coen			_)	В	OARD
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	s/John D. Burke)		
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ATTEST: s/Susan M. H	Hudson					
Clerk	of the Board					

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